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To: [SoS Rulemaking](#)
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Dear Secretary of State,

I respectfully would like to offer the following comment on the proposed draft Election Rules.

The proposed Rule 24 on Presidential Electors should be dropped in its entirety. The reason is twofold. First this rule inserts the State of Colorado into a role of disciplining members of a political party. This should be left to the political parties. The Federal constitution does not specify a role for political parties, and there is no need for the State of Colorado to act in this manner.

Second, the rule is probably unenforceable. In an election, if an elector signs the oath but then votes for another person, what effect would this rule actually have? The election would be over and a vacancy of an elector would be declared. This would probably have no impact on the results of the election but would leave the State of Colorado an unresolved and unnecessary legal dispute. Also, there is the question of a candidate dying between the Election Day and the meeting of the electors. This rule would require that electors vote for a deceased individual.

I hope this comment is useful to your deliberations.

Sincerely,
Curtis Stewart